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TO UTILIZE SAPROPELS

A special correspondent from the Sverdlovsk area reports that the sapropels of Mazulinskiy Lake as well as those of Moltayevskiy Lake will be used in mud therapy at a resort to be built in the vicinity of Kanensk-Uralskiy.

POLAR DOCTORS TO ATTEND SPECIAL LECTURES

The Main Administration for the Northern Sea Route has initiated a program for improving the qualifications of doctors assigned to far northern outposts. A special lecture session is to be held, subsequent to which the doctors will be ordered temporarily to such institutions as the Sklifovskiy Institute, the Physiotherapy Institute, the Tuberculosis Institute of the Academy of Medical Sciences USSR, as well as the Central Dermato-Venereological Institute and the Hospital imeni Botkin.

PERSONNEL OFFICER RELIEVED OF DUTIES

By decree of the Council of Ministers USSR, A. F. Marakchenko was relieved of his duties as Deputy Minister of Public Health USSR for Personnel.

OIL MEN TO GET PROTECTIVE CLOTHING

The All-Union Scientific Research Institute for Safety Measures in the Petroleum Industry has developed special new protective clothing for oil-field workers. This special fabric is made of flax and cotton, gives good weather protection, and is highly resistant to petroleum corrosion. Work is being conducted on special corrosion-resistant shoes.

At present, plans call for improved general all-around health services for oil-field workers. The 1950 budget is more than 75 million rubles (the 1949 budget was 42 million rubles). More than 170 health stations are to be established, and 840 shower units and 257 ventilation units will be installed. There will also be an expansion of facilities for the care and feeding of breast-fed babies.

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